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SUBJECT: SENATE APPROVES FUNDS FOR DIEGO GARCIA:

MOZAMBIQUE PRESS PLAY

1. SENATE APPROVAL WAS FRONT PAGE NEWS IN LOURENCO MARQUES' LEFTIST-CONTROLLED DAILY NOTICIAS OF OCT. 10. UNDER HEADLINE, "USA: FUNDS APPROVED FOR DIEGO GARCIA" THREE SENTENCES CARRY BASIC NEWS, THEN EDITORIAL READS AS FOLLOWS:

QUOTE: THE FUNDS FOR DIEGO GARCIA ARE PART OF APPROXIMATELY 103 MILLION DOLLARS ASKED BY THE US DEFENSE DEPARTMENT IN ORDER TO PROCEED WITH VARIOUS INSTALLATIONS ON THE ISLAND. THE GOVERNMENT IN WASHINGTON ALLEGED THAT THE EXPENDITURE WAS NECESSARY TO COUNTER-BALANCE A SUPPOSED "INCREASED PRESENCE OF SOVIET NAVAL STRENGTH IN THE REGION". IN REALITY IT IS JUST ONE MORE IMPERIALISTIC MANEUVER OF GAINING GEO-STRATEGIC POSITION. THE ISLAND OF DIEGO GARCIA, SITUATED TO THE NORTH OF MADAGASCAR AND NEAR THE EAST COAST OF AFRICA, WILL PERMIT IMPERIALISM TO CONTROL THE ROUTE TO THE CAPE AND

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POLICE ITS VAST ECONOMIC INTERESTS IN EAST AFRICA. THE

AMERICAN IMPERIALISTS CONTINUE THEIR EFFORTS TO DOMINATE THE AFRICAN PEOPLES, DESPITE THE UNIVERSAL PROTEST OF ALL THE PROGRESSIVE NATIONS IN THE WORLD, INCLUDING MOZAMBIQUE, WHO STRIVE TO TRANSFORM THE INDIAN OCEAN INTO A PEACE ZONE. SOME WEEKS BEFORE THE APPROVAL OF THESE FUNDS, THE GOVERNMENT IN WASHINGTON BEGAN A CAMPAIGN OF CALUMNIES AGAINST SOMALIA, ALLEGING THE EXISTENCE OF A SOVIET NAVAL BASE AT THE CITY OF BERBERA. INTERNATIONAL OBSERVERS, INCLUDING AMERICAN SENATORS, DISCOVERED FIRST-HAND THE FALSITY OF SUCH ACCUSATIONS.

THE COLABORATION LENT BY THE GOVERNMENT IN LONDON WHICH EXPELLED FROM THE ISLAND ITS INHABITANTS IN ORDER TO PUT IT AT THE DISPOSAL OF THE USA FITS INTO THE MUTUAL DEFENSE PLAN AND INTEREST WHICH BOTH COUNTRIES HAVD IN CERTAIN PARTS OF AFRICA WHERE THE POPULAR MASSES PREPARE TO BRING DOWN THEIR TORMENTORS, AS IS THE CASE IN SOUTH AFRICA AND IN RHODESIA. UNQUOTE.
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